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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

JOHN FOSTER NORRIS,

Petitioner,

ORDER OF TRANSFER

Case No. <u>23-cv-06165-HSG</u>

v.

DONNIE STONEBREAKER,

Respondent.

Petitioner, an inmate at Evans Correctional Institution in Bennettsville, South Carolina, has filed this pro se action seeking a writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254, challenging his 1984 South Carolina state court conviction. ECF No. 1. Venue for a habeas action is proper in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction. 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d). Petitioner's conviction was obtained in Anderson County Court in South Carolina, and Petitioner is confined in South Carolina. ECF No. 1. Accordingly, this case is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for South Carolina. See 28 U.S.C. §§ 121, 1406(a). The Clerk is directed to close this case.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 1/5/2024

> HAYWOOD S. GILLIAM, JR. United States District Judge